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Our storage for silicon tetrachloride is very high. Demand for zirconium tetrachloride is strong. Therefore we urgently need successful operation of the electric reactor and pilot plant data for future design. I hope we can accomplish both objectives simultaneously.

As we previously agreed at a review meeting at the Niagara Falls plant, Adam as Project Manager has full responsibility for electric reactor re-design construction, operating procedures, operating check lists, and supervision of initial operation. Therefore we are relying on Adam to push completion of electric reactor work for earliest possible start up. Since operation of the electric and conventional will be parallel and since operating variables in each influence both, I believe it is most important for the Research shift engineers be trained in operating the entire metal chlorides plant. Of course this should be done prior to start up of the electric reactor. Coordination with plant operating personnel would be improved which contributes significantly to a smooth and successful electric reactor start up. We have appointed Tom Purcell as the Plant Coordinator to work with Adam and the Research start up engineers to make sure that maintenance assistance etc. are readily available.

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